Mayor John Noak Presents Community Awards During the Annual State of the Village

During the Annual State of the Village Address, Mayor John Noak presented awards to the following:

**2013 New Business of the Year - Sam's Club** - During their Grand Opening ceremony, Sam's Club gave over $50,000 in grants throughout the community. They also donate to the Northern Illinois Food Bank and host numerous events for Veterans.

**2013 Large Business of the Year - Metropolitan Industries** - John Kochan Jr. accepted the award. Metropolitan Industries started from a home office in 1957 and has grown to become an industry leader with over 150 employees. Metropolitan Industries named one of Crain's Chicago Business Most Innovative Firms.

**2013 Small Business of the Year - Brunswick Zone** - Tom Sorfleet accepted the award. While providing many entertainment opportunities for families, Brunswick Zone continues to enhance their community involvement.

**The Citizen of the Year Award - Retired Lieutenant Colonel Tom Wilczak** - Tom remains active in the community. Tom is a Charter member of Romeoville Veterans Commission, Member of Romeoville American Legion, Board Member of Ray Holloway House, President of the Disabled Veterans Golf Benefit and serves on many committees for Grand Haven.
The Service Organization of the Year - The Tri-County Special Recreation Association (SRA) - Peggy Wilson, Director of the SRA, accepted the award. SRA provides recreation opportunities for individuals with disabilities by offering over 300 programs and events each year.

"Government cannot be effective without exceptional partners within the community. These award recipients have been invaluable to the success of our community," said Mayor John Noak.